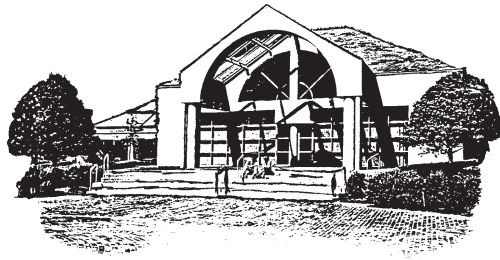


The Council Report

FEBRUARY 2002

News from the Friendship Heights Village Council—the elected governing body of the Special Tax District of the Village of Friendship Heights



Interested in serving on the Community Advisory Committee?

The Council will consider applications from Village residents looking to serve on the Community Advisory Committee.

The Community Advisory Committee was established by the Council in November 1991 to “review, discuss and make appropriate recommendations to the Council concerning ways to preserve, strengthen, and initiate measures to protect a high quality of life in our Village.”

The Committee typically meets the fourth Wednesday of every other month at 5:30 p.m. at the Village Center. All meetings are open to the public with notices posted in advance.

If you are interested in serving on the Committee, please send a brief statement of interest, including your background, to Julian Mansfield, Village Manager, 4433 South Park Ave., Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

Update on tenants at Chase Tower retail building

The JBG Companies, the developer of the Chase Tower project, has finalized leases with five retail tenants to occupy the first floor of the retail building on Willard Avenue behind Highland House West. The five tenants are:

Chipotle’s, a Mexican grill (featured recently in *The Washington Post* Weekend section); **Panera Bread**, a bakery that will sell fresh bread and sandwiches; **George-**

town Valet, a dry cleaner; **Walpole**, a linen store; and an optician.

Interior work on the tenant spaces has just begun and will take several months to complete. This means the stores will probably not be open to the public until early summer.

New streetlights in place

As part of the Chase Tower project, the developer has installed new streetlights on Willard Avenue, The Hills Plaza, and Friendship Boulevard adjacent to the new buildings and the new park. The streetlights on Willard Avenue are the Montgomery County standard (known as the

“Washington Globe”).

The lights on Hills Plaza and Friendship are supposed to be the Village’s custom poles and fixtures. However, due to a distribution error, the contractor, Clark Construction, received too few of the Village poles. In order to provide adequate lighting while the contractor waits for the correct order to come in (which may take some time), they have temporarily installed six of the County-style poles and fixtures (three at the bottom of The Hills Plaza, three at the bottom of Friendship Boulevard).

Once the Village poles come in they will replace the County poles at those locations.



Photo by Martin Kuhn

Time quotations are in the ground

The public art program for the Chase Tower development includes a dozen quotations, each one relating to time, embedded in the sidewalk along Willard Avenue and the bottom of The Hills Plaza. Eleven of the twelve are currently in place; the final quotation will be installed in front of the clock/fountain outside the new office building.

MVA Mobile Office—Monday, March 25, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Council took the following actions at the February 11, 2002, meeting:

- Held a public hearing on the Initial Proposed FY 2003 Budget; approved modifying the proposed budget by 1) combining the budget for all parks into a single category (Village Parks) with separate line items for individual expenses, and 2) include balances in the General Fund and the Capital Improvements Fund at the end of each budget column.
- Discussed nominees to serve on Program Advisory Committee; tabled vote pending more information on nominees.
- Approved increase in Village Center maintenance contract.
- Approved proposal from Grandiflora for landscape maintenance contract.

FORM
502 MARYLAND TAX RETURN
(OR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING 1999, ENDING)

RESIDENT

Blue or Black Ink Only

Please Print

Your first name Initial Last name

Spouse's first name Initial Last name

Present address (No. and street) City or town State Zip code

Name of county and incorporated city, town or special taxing area in which you were a resident on the last day of the taxable period. (See Instruction 6)

YOUR FILING STATUS—See Instruction 1 to determine if you are required to file.

1. ☐ Single ☐ Married on another person's tax return, use Filing Status 6

Montgomery Friendship Heights

EXEMPTIONS—See Instruction 10

Exemption Amount

(A) ☐ × \$1,850

Don't forget Friendship Heights on your Maryland Tax Return

In order to guarantee that Friendship Heights and Montgomery County receive the correct state allocation, be sure to fill in "Montgomery County" in the "Maryland County" box and "Friendship Heights" in the "City, Town or Taxing Area" space when filing your Maryland state income tax return (Form 502 or 503).

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